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DECISION OF THE ENERGY CHARTER CONFERENCE

Subject: Report by the Chair of International Energy Charter Industry Advisory Panel

The Energy Charter Conference at the Statutory Session of its 35th Meeting held on 3 December 2024 took note of the attached Report by the Chair of the International Energy Charter Industry Advisory Panel (IAP), as well as approved the extension of the Terms of Reference of the IAP for 2025–2029 and its membership list.

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REPORT BY THE CHAIR OF THE INTERNATIONAL ENERGY CHARTER INDUSTRY ADVISORY PANEL

The International Energy Charter Industry Advisory Panel (IAP) submits the present annual communication on its work for the attention of the Energy Charter Conference (Conference).

Membership structure and new members

1. In 2024, the membership of the IAP remained stable, with 62 members from energy companies, international associations, intergovernmental institutions and individuals spanning 31 countries, operating in exploration, production, generation, transmission, distribution, finance, equipment, services, technology and consultancy.
2. Over the past four years, the IAP has admitted four new members, which confirms the continued value of the IAP as a well-established and respected platform for exchanging knowledge and expertise on energy matters in the service of the entire Energy Charter constituency.
3. An updated list of IAP members is provided in Annex 2.

Meetings

4. The IAP will hold its 47th Session on 4 December 2024 on the theme "Role of the Modernised Energy Charter Treaty in Accelerating the Clean Energy Transition". The topic is timely and indicative of the IAP's position welcoming the modernisation of the Energy Charter Treaty as well as setting the pathway of future discourse within the IAP on this topic.

Extension of the IAP Terms of Reference

5. The IAP Terms of Reference for the period 2020-2024 were revised and adopted in 2019 at the 30th Meeting of the Conference (CCDEC 201915). The aforementioned Terms of Reference will be extended for the period 2025-2029 (Annex 1).

Work Programme for 2025

6. The IAP will implement its mid-term strategy by designating nominations for new key positions, modifying and restructuring the membership and expanding the geographical representation.
7. The IAP will hold one or more joint events with prominent international organisations and councils.
8. The IAP members will closely follow the developments of the Energy Charter Treaty's modernisation process, including its implementation and impact on the energy industry.
9. The IAP will strengthen the quality and relevance of the consultative advice provided to the Conference.
10. The IAP will consider preparing and publishing analytical papers in the relevant areas, as well as conducting peer reviews if requested by the Conference.
11. The IAP invites the Members and Observers of the Conference to promote the IAP in their respective energy sectors. The IAP intends to grow by expanding its geographical coverage and spanning new sub-sector.

Terms of Reference (ToR) of the International Energy Charter Industry Advisory Panel (2025-2029)

1. The Industry Advisory Panel (IAP) was established by decision of the Energy Charter Conference (Conference) at its 14th Meeting on 15 June 2004 (document CCDEC 2004 6 IAP) and its mandate was renewed by subsequent Conference decisions in 2008, 2012, and 2015 (revised in 2018).
2. The IAP is a consultative body to the Conference and its Subsidiary Bodies, with the goal of putting forward the views of business on matters related to energy investment, dispute settlement, energy trade, transit, and energy efficiency. The IAP's mission is to forge closer ties between the Energy Charter Treaty (ECT) constituency and the industry, with a particular focus on the effective implementation of the ECT and principles of the International Energy Charter and the accession to the ECT.
3. The IAP is invited to promote the key principles of the International Energy Charter at relevant international conferences and events. To achieve the goal of providing advice and views of the industry, IAP Members (i) may regularly contribute to the activities, events (e.g. training programs, seminars) and publications (e.g. country reviews, reports, occasional papers) of the Energy Charter Secretariat (Secretariat); and (ii) sponsor additional activities, events, publications of the International Energy Charter, as well as assign energy industry experts to assist the Secretariat.
4. The composition of the IAP shall be representative of the energy industry of Members of the ECT and Observers of the Conference, both in terms of geography and sectors of economy. IAP Members shall be selected from energy companies, business associations and other organisations with substantial business interests in the energy sector, having their headquarters in the territories of Members of the ECT and Observers to the Conference. Interested representatives from the financial sector may be nominated. Members shall be at a senior level and actively involved in the decision-making process of their companies/organisations.
5. Interested candidates may submit their request for IAP membership to the IAP Chair. Members of the ECT may also propose candidates for IAP membership through the Secretary General of the Secretariat (Secretary General). It is at the discretion of the IAP Chair to initiate silent procedure or reach a decision in this respect at the subsequent IAP meeting.
6. Upon review of a membership request in the light of Paragraph 4 above, the IAP will submit a list of members by means of annual communication to the Conference. To the extent that the Conference cannot reach a consensus, the decision shall require a simple majority of the Contracting Parties of the ECT. Membership is renewed every year by submission of the list of members to the Conference.
7. The Conference or its Subsidiary Bodies may ask the IAP for advice. The IAP's advice will be presented to the Conference and/or its Subsidiary Bodies and annual Policy Conferences as appropriate and, as general rule, be considered in the context of the relevant Subsidiary Body before its submission to the Conference.
8. The IAP may request the Conference or its Subsidiary Bodies to consider issues falling within its mandate through a Formal Communication, at least on an annual basis. The Secretary General shall recommend that the Conference take account of such suggestions at a high political level. The Secretariat shall ensure that the Formal Communication is annexed or referred to in the final declaration of the Conference; it is proposed for implementation in the

Programme of Work of the Secretariat and it is cited in the International Energy Charter meetings and activities.

9. The IAP may elect a Chair and other officers and organise its activities in accordance with these, as it deems appropriate. The IAP may establish a steering committee to assess the progress and the outcomes of the IAP work, to propose forward priorities and programme ideas and to assist logistics and administration of the IAP activities, when needed. The IAP may establish regional Chairs. The Secretariat shall assist the IAP in the organisation of its work. The Secretariat should prepare IAP meetings, draft IAP Formal Communications and statements; promote IAP membership and correspond with candidate members; and invite IAP members to contribute to its activities.
10. The Members of the IAP shall cover their own costs. The IAP may decide a membership fee. These contributions will solely be managed by the IAP and will be utilised exclusively for covering the expenses in relation to the IAP activities.
11. Representatives of the Industry Advisory Panel members consent to Secretariat's processing of their personal data in accordance with the Energy Charter Secretariat Manual on Data Protection. Contacts details of representatives of members of the IAP can be shared with the Chair and other IAP member representatives for purposes in relation to IAP activities. The Energy Charter Secretariat shall regularly make public the current membership list with the names of the representatives.
12. The Conference may periodically review the working methods of the IAP and its ToR in the light of the experience acquired through the year.

COMPOSITION OF THE INTERNATIONAL ENERGY CHARTER INDUSTRY ADVISORY PANEL (IAP)

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